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U.S. REPRESENTATIVE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2



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Nestor R. Garcia was born on Feb. 13, 1957 in Honolulu and lived most of his life in Waipahu. He is a 1975 graduate of Waipahu High School and earned his bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Hawaii in 1979. His 14-year journalism career saw him rise from newsroom assistant to full-time investigative reporter, to press secretary for Hawaii Sen. Daniel Inouye, to public relations agency executive. He currently owns a public relations company, NRG Communications, LLC.

Garcia's political career began in 1994 with his election to the State House of Representatives, an office he held for four consecutive elections. Since 2003, Garcia has served on the Honolulu City Council representing Makakilo, Village Park, Royal Kunia, Waikele, Waipahu and Mililani.

Garcia is married to the former Karen Mun, and they have two daughters, Lyndsey and Cara.

"The most-qualified candidate, the one who can hit the ground running, should represent Hawaii in the Congress," Garcia says. "I believe that I am that candidate. I have a thorough and practical understanding of local and statewide issues because I've served in the State Legislature and on the Honolulu City Council. I am able to effectively articulate those issues at the national level because, to my knowledge, I'm the only candidate in this race with actual work experience in Congress."

"America is undergoing major transition. We must understand how external social, political and economic events impact us from Hilo, to Haleiwa to Hanalei, then make reasoned decisions to deal with them."